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The US Trout Farmers Association strongly supports all of the various proposals in this Docket to increase the availability of approved animal drugs for minor species and minor uses. We compliment the FDA working group for their initiatives and for recognizing that the current system is ineffective. The USTFA believes that these proposals if implemented, would enhance our opportunity to use safe, effective drugs for trout farming but would not adversely affect human or environmental safety. We would be glad to work with the FDA to ensure these proposals are instituted

Sincerely,

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